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SENATOR COORDSEN: One minute.

SENATOR JANSSEN: Well, thank you very much, Senator Pederson, and I believe that the way it sounds it's not going to happen too often, but...but I believe the amendment is needed in case that it does and in those special instances. So I will be supporting the amendment. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

SENATOR D. PEDERSON: Senator Janssen, I...I have just been handed a note. It's in...it's in the body of the bill itself that the reimbursement will occur not...not less than quarterly, nor more than monthly that the counties would be reimbursed.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Thank you. There are no other lights on. Senator Chambers, did you wish to close on this amendment? Senator Chambers, did you wish to close? Closing is waived. The issue before the body is the adoption of the Chambers amendment, 3170. Those in favor please vote aye, those opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 27 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of the Cudaback, Chambers, and Don Pederson amendment.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Anything further on the bill?

CLERK: Senator Wickersham would move to amend with 3747, Mr. President. (See page 1044 of the Legislative Journal.)

SENATOR COORDSEN: Senator Wickersham, to open on amendment 3747, please.

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the body. This is a significant addition to the bill. This is LB 1136 that was reported out of the Revenue Committee and provides for an aid program for counties. The aid program, in this instance, would be funded with \$5.5 million of General Fund dollars. The way the proposal works is that we calculate the local capacity to pay and that is an artificial number that we've plugged in, .18 (sic), times the county valuation divided by 1,000 divided by your road miles, or divided by your road miles. That is then the capacity of a county to pay for road miles. We do a similar calculation at the state level and